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EXDIS - FROM ASST SECRETARY WILLIAM D ROGERS

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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.), PFOR, XM

SUBJECT: ACTION MEMORANDUM: LATIN AMERICAN TRIP -
ITINERARY ALTERNATIVES (S/S NO. 7609003)

1. HERE IS A REVISED ITINERARY FOR YOUR LATIN AMERICAN
TRIP. IT IS RESPONSIVE TO THE POINTS RAISED IN OUR LAST
CONVERSATION. I HAVE ADOPTED THE DEVICE OF SETTING IT
OUT, BUT INTERRUPTING IT WHERE WE NEED YOUR DECISION.

FRI, JUNE 4 10:00AM LV WASHINGTON 3 25 1 25

11:25AM ARR CANCUN

SAT, JUNE 5 10:00AM LV CANCUN 2 00 2 00

12:00PM ARR MEX CITY

SUN, JUNE 6 8:00AM LV MEXICO CITY 4 05 5 05

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MON, JUNE 7 7:00AM LV QUITO 45 45

7:45AM ARR GUAYA-

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9:15AM LV GUAYAQUIL 4 25 5 25

2:40PM ARR SANTIAGO

QUITO -- I HAVE TALKED WITH THE ECUADOREAN DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER AND THE AMBASSADOR. THEY FEEL IT IMPORTANT TO AVOID ANY IMPRESSION THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN ECUADOR SHORT SHRIFT. AN OVERNIGHT IS IMPORTANT TO THEIR SENSE OF DIGNITY. THEY KNOW THAT YOU SLEPT IN PERU AND COLOMBIA AND THEY WANT EQUAL TREATMENT. WE DISCUSSED ALTITUDE. THEY SUGGEST SLEEPING IN A VALLEY, ABOUT 1,500 FEET BELOW QUITO, WHICH IS AT 9,500 FEET. I FEAR THERE IS NO BETTER ALTERNATIVE, IF YOU ARE TO HONOR ECUADOR AT ALL. THE ONE CONSOLATION IS THE COLONIAL ARCHITECTURE.

RECOMMENDATION: THAT YOU SPEND THE NIGHT IN QUITO.

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ALTERNATIVELY, THAT YOU CONTINUE ON TO SANTIAGO SUNDAY NIGHT AS PLANNED EARLIER.

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THURS, JUNE 10 9:00AM LV SANTIAGO 1 35 2 35

11:35AM ARR BUENOS

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FRI, JUNE 11 11:00AM LV B.A. 2 35 2 35

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BUENOS AIRES -- SY RECOMMENDS AGAINST OVERNIGHTING THERE. WE ARE ASKING THE EMBASSY FOR AN ASSESSMENT OF THE SECURITY SITUATION AND WILL SEEK YOUR FINAL DECISION WHEN YOU HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO WEIGH THESE SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS. IF YOU DO NOT OVERNIGHT IN BUENOS AIRES, THE ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE TO STAY ONE MORE NIGHT IN SANTIAGO.

MONTEVIDEO -- I RECOMMEND AGAINST A STOP. WE HAVE MORE TO LOSE THAN WE CAN GAIN. URUGUAY IS NOW SECOND ONLY TO CHILE AS A TARGET FOR CRITICISM BY CONGRESS AND HUMAN
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RIGHTS GROUPS. A STOP IN MONTEVIDEO WOULD COLOR YOUR TRIP WITH EXCESSIVE U.S. ASSOCIATION WITH MILITARY DICTATORSHIPS IN THE SOUTHERN CONE. THE BEST WAY TO DEAL WITH URUGUAY, FROM MY POINT OF VIEW, WOULD BE TO MAKE A SPECIAL EFFORT WITH BLANCO AT THE OASGA. IF YOU FEEL IT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE SOME SHOWING IN URUGUAY, I SUGGEST THAT YOU DO IT AT A SHORT LUNCHEON STOP.

YOUR APPROVED SCHEDULE.

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